

1943 Profile of the Jamaica, Queens area

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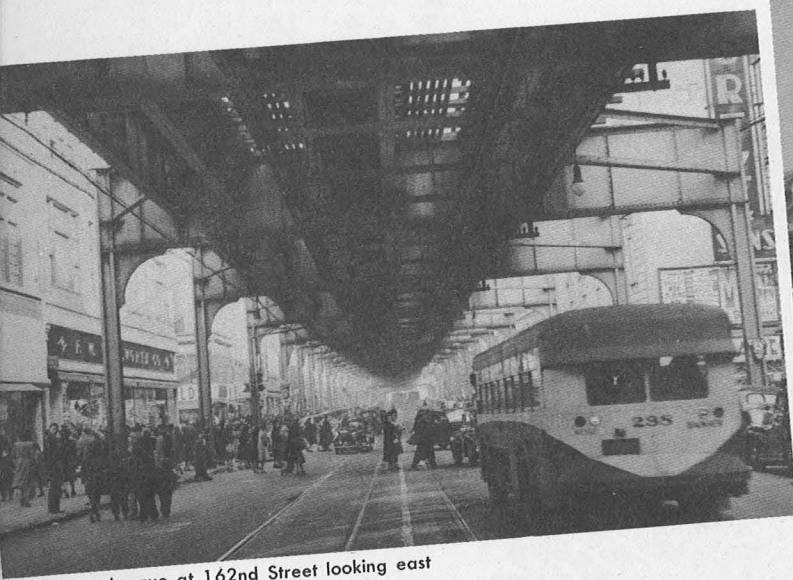
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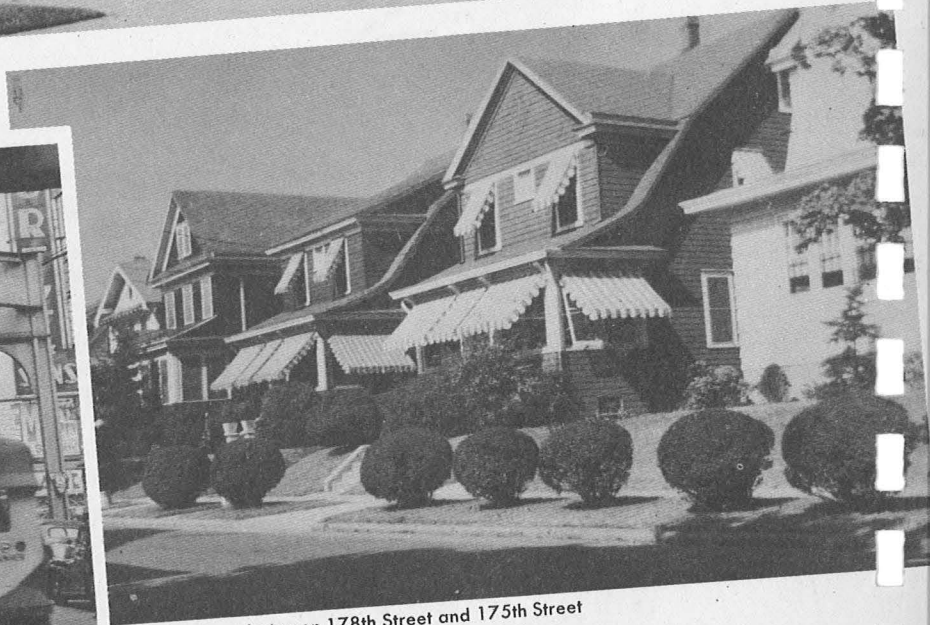
Jamaica



Croyden Road and Charlecote Ridge



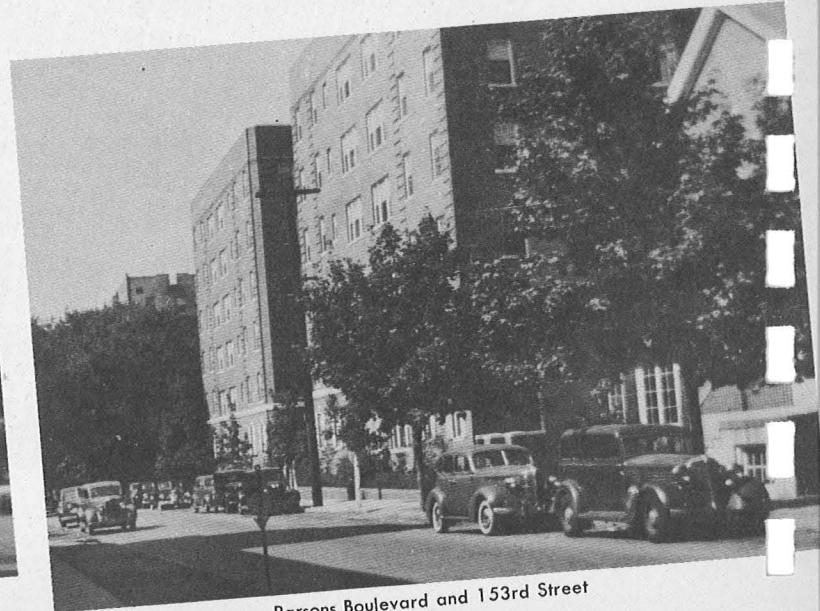
Jamaica Avenue at 162nd Street looking east



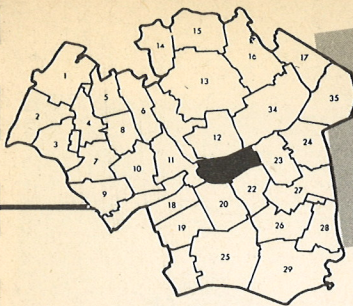
89th Avenue between 178th Street and 175th Street



88th Avenue looking from 168th Street to Merrick Boulevard



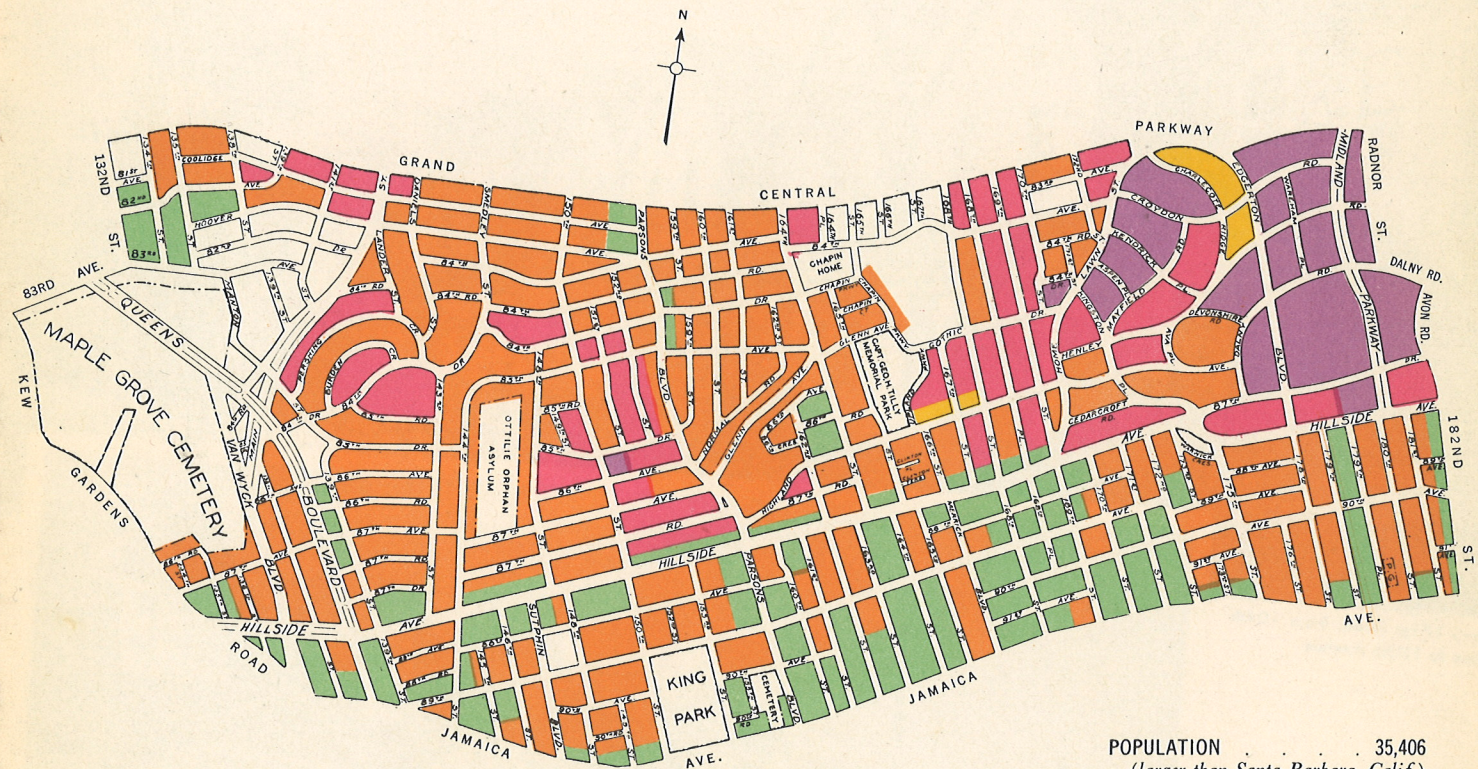
90th Avenue between Parsons Boulevard and 153rd Street



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Jamaica



POPULATION	35,406
(larger than Santa Barbara, Calif.)	
Native white	28,473
Foreign-born white	6,764
Negro	146
Other races	23

Mixed European-born, mostly Germans and Russian Jews spread throughout.

FAMILIES	9,304
—owner families	3,411
—tenant families	5,893

FAMILIES BY MONTHLY RENT & ANNUAL EXPENDITURE GROUPS

Rental	Expenditure	
\$150 & up	\$10,000 & up	257
100-149	6,000-9,999	568
75- 99	4,500-5,999	1,054
50- 74	3,000-4,499	3,250
30- 49	1,800-2,999	3,505
40- 49	2,400-2,999	2,385
30- 39	1,800-2,399	1,120
Under 30	Under 1,800	443
Unknown		227

Median family expenditure	\$3,213
Average family expenditure	\$3,778

RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES	5,400
—one-family houses	3,931
—two-family houses	962
—three-or-more-family houses	507

Jamaica is one of Long Island's oldest settlements. Transportation lines—roads, railroad, subway, and buses—help to make it the principal shopping center of Queens. Its business area along Jamaica Avenue looks like the main stem of a good-sized city. Its stores are used by families from many surrounding districts. The older sections of Jamaica are composed of long rows of frame single-family houses on narrow lots. The wealth of the area is concentrated in the northeast corner, in Jamaica Estates, with its winding streets and large, private homes. Although Jamaica has been established since the Dutch occupation, it increased its population 24.7 per cent between 1930 and 1940.